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AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

Agent for Applicant respectfully requests the following amendments to the claims without adding any new subject matter, namely:

1. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller for moving a conveyor, said roller comprising a cylindrical rotatable roller having at least one non-rotatable cylindrical surface end ~~disengaged from the rotational movement of said rotational roller~~ spaced axially and exteriorly from said rotational roller.
2. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 1 wherein said roller comprises a rotatable portion intermediate a first and second cylindrical ~~[[end]] non-rotatable surfaces, each said [[end]] non-rotatable surfaces~~ extending axially outwardly from said rotational roller and radially spaced from said conveyor.
3. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 2 wherein said rotatable portion comprises a rotatable roller tube and said cylindrical [[ends]] surfaces are stationary.
4. [Original] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 3 wherein said roller tube includes a motor for rotating said roller tube.
5. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 4 wherein said first and second cylindrical ~~[[ends]] are axially disposed about a central shaft; and said first cylindrical surface end presents a first cylindrical surface having~~ has a first diameter and said second cylindrical ~~surface end presents second cylindrical surface having~~ has a second diameter.
6. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 5 wherein said central shaft comprises a rotatable shaft portion disposed between said first and second cylindrical surfaces, and wherein said roller tube has a diameter larger than said first and second diameter of said cylindrical surfaces so that said roller tube contacts and moves said conveyor and said first and second cylindrical surfaces are spaced from said conveyor.
7. [Previously Presented] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 6 further including first and second shafts axially disposed relative said rotational shaft portions, wherein

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said first and second stationary shafts are fixedly secured to said first and second cylindrical ~~[[ends]]~~ surfaces respectively.

8. [Original] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 7 wherein said rotatable shaft portion is carried by said motor.

9. [Original] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 8 wherein one end of said rotatable shaft portion presents a pinion for driving said rotatable roller tube.

10. [Previously Presented] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 9 wherein each of said cylindrical ~~[[ends]]~~ surfaces cover the ends of said rotatable portion, respectively so as to inhibit contacting said rotatable portion when said rotatable portion drives a conveyor belt.

11. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 10 wherein said ~~outer diameter of said rotatable roller tube is adapted to drive a conveyor belt~~ first and second cylindrical surfaces each present a non-rotating radial end.

12. [Original] A conveyor system as claimed in claim 11 wherein said stationary ends bar access to said rotatable roller tube when said stationary ends are accidentally contacted.

13. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller for supporting and driving a conveyor medium comprising:

- (a) a hollow drum defining a rotatable supporting surface having a cylindrical shape disposed between a first and second generally cylindrical non-rotational surface non-rotating surfaces each non-rotating surface spaced axially outwardly from said rotatable support surface;
- (b) said first and second generally cylindrical axially non-rotational non-rotating surfaces co-axially secured to first and second spaced apart stationary shafts respectively;
- (c) one end of each of said stationary shafts disposed internally of said hollow drum for carrying a driver means for rotating said hollow drum between said first and second spaced apart stationary shafts.

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14. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 13 wherein said hollow drum presents an outer diameter greater than the outer diameter of each of said generally cylindrical axially non-rotational non-rotating surfaces; whereby said outer diameter of said hollow drum drives said conveyor medium, and where said ~~non-rotational non-rotating~~ surfaces do not contact said conveyor medium.

15. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 14 wherein ~~said outer diameter of said hollow drum is frictional with said conveyor medium~~ each said non-rotating surface includes a radial end for receiving said first and second spaced apart stationary shafts respectively, wherein said radial ends are stationary.

16. [Previously Presented] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 15 wherein said hollow drum includes a rotating shaft co-axially disposed between said stationary shafts.

17. (Previously Presented) A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 16 wherein said hollow drum presents a first end flange and a second end flange; and roller bearing means disposed between said first and second end flanges and said first and second generally cylindrical ~~non-rotational non-rotating~~ surfaces respectively.

18. [Currently Amended] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 17 wherein said first and second ~~non-rotational non-rotating~~ surfaces are axially spaced from said first and second flanges ~~by a distance of about 0.04 inches.~~

19. [Previously Presented] A motorized conveyor roller as claimed in claim 18 wherein said ~~non-rotational non-rotating~~ surfaces are secured to said stationary shafts.

20. [Currently Amended] A method of inhibiting contact with a motorized rotatable conveyor roller driving a conveyor medium by placing said motorized rotatable conveyor roller having two opposite ends between opposed generally cylindrical non-rotatable rollers extending axially and exteriorly from said motorized rotatable roller, where the diameter of said motorized rotatable conveyor roller is selected so as to contact and drive said conveyor medium, and where the diameter of the non-rotatable rollers is selected so as not to contact said conveyor medium, and cover the ends of said rotatable portion.